

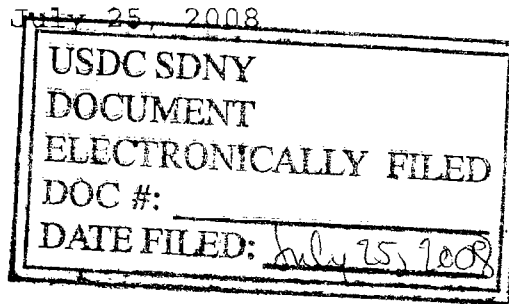
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Re: United States v. Muto  
08 Cr. 384 (DAB)

Hon. Judge Batts:

*DAB/*  
*Granted*  
*07/25/08*

I write to request an adjournment of the status conference on the above indictment that is presently scheduled for July 28, 2008. The government consents to this request.

The government has produced discovery, and the defense needs additional time to review it, so that the parties can have an informed discussion about a possible plea. The parties request a two week adjournment. The defense is in the process of contemplating and preparing a misdemeanor request and to properly prepare the request we need information about Mr. Muto's psychological health from his treating physician and also need time to pursue an independent evaluation of his mental health.

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To that end, we request that the time between July 28, 2008 and the date that the Court picks as an adjourn date, be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, section 3161(h)(8)(A). Excluding time will best serve the ends of justice and outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will allow the government and defense counsel to continue discussions regarding a possible disposition in the matter. Thank you.

*The conference in this action is now scheduled for Monday August 25, 2008 at 11:30am.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Sabrina P. Shroff*  
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cc: Kopp, AUSA

SO ORDERED  
*Deborah A. Batts*  
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE